

PROCEEDINGS

AT THE

SESSIONS of the PEACE, and OYER and TERMINER, for the
County of *Surrey*,

Held at *GUILFORD*, in the said County, on *Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday*, being the 23d, 24th, 25th, 27th and 28th, of *March*, 1732, in the Fifth Year of His Majesty's Reign;

Before the Right Hon. Sir *Robert Eyre*, Lord Chief Justice of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, and Sir *William Thomson*, one of the Barons of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer, and Recorder of the City of *London*, together with several of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County of *Surrey*.

The Names of the Jury.

<i>Thomas Snow,</i>	<i>William Sparks,</i>	<i>Thomas Stovel,</i>
<i>Henry Potter,</i>	<i>Richard Edwards,</i>	<i>William Pigg,</i>
<i>Miles Beckley,</i>	<i>Thomas Veil,</i>	<i>Daniel Miles,</i>
<i>Daniel Greenfield,</i>	<i>Charles Flood,</i>	<i>Robert Kellet.</i>

The Trials are as follows.

ANDREW MACKENZIE was indicted for assaulting *Thomas Tucker*, on the 19th of *March*, 1730, by running his Horse against him, and bruising him in several Parts, of which bruises he died the *November* following.

Mary Snow deposed, that she saw Mr. *Tucker* come to *Egham* Turnpike, about two Years ago to bring a Pint of drink to the Man of the Turnpike, *William Palmer*; Mr. *Mackenzie* came by on Horseback, seemingly very much in Liquor, and call'd him several Names, and said he would fight him, which Mr. *Tucker* refus'd; that Mr. *Mackenzie* pull'd out half a Crown, and said he would fight him for it, and then got off his Horse, but got on again, and hit Mr. *Tucker* with his Whip. Mr. *Palmer*, to whom the Half-Crown was deliver'd, desir'd him to take it again, or else he would say he was rob'd. *Mackenzie* then spur'd the Horse, to ride through the Turnpike, and the Horse ran against Mr. *Tucker*, who was leaning over the Rail, smocking his Pipe.

Being ask'd, whether she minded any particular Part where he was bruised, she answer'd, No; whether he ever complain'd of his Hurt, she also answer'd, No.

Mrs. *Tucker* deposed, that her Husband said that *Mackenzie* was the Cause of his Death; that the Horse's two Knees hit him on the Stomach, and that it fell down into his private Parts.

John Meers deposed, that he was sent for to the Deceas'd a little before his Death, who told him in what Nature *Mackenzie* had us'd him; that he had offer'd to fight him, and had got off his Horse, and held Half a Crown towards him; that he the said *Tucker* refus'd to fight him, and gave him good Language; that at length *Mackenzie* hit Mr. *Tucker* several Times over the Head and Shoulders, upon which, he ask'd *Mackenzie* why he us'd him so unhandsome? to which *Mackenzie* answer'd, that if he would not fight him he would make him, and then getting upon his Horse, rode against Mr. *Tucker*, the Horse's Knees coming against his Breast; that Mr. *Tucker* said, will you kill me? that then *Mackenzie* rode against him again, and hurt his private Parts; he then cry'd out, and had like to have fallen down, but caught hold of the Rails, and was led home.

Mr. *Murdoch* deposed, that he was sent for to view the Body about eight Days after his Death; that he found no Marks of Violence or Injury; that the Body appear'd sound, and he believ'd the Deceas'd died a Natural Death.

Mr. *Palmer* deposed, that he was there when Mr. *Tucker* came up to the Turnpike smocking his Pipe; that by and by Mr. *Mackenzie* came on Horseback, and rid through the Turnpike, that he turn'd about, got off of his Horse, quarrel'd with Mr. *Tucker*, and offer'd to fight him for half a Crown; that he the said *Palmer*, desired him to put up his Money again;

(Price Six-Pence.)

that *Mackenzie* rode against the said *Tucker*, but whether designedly or accidentally he could not tell; that *Tucker* did not tumble down afterwards, but went home.

Mr. *Dormer*, and other Surgeons deposed, that they opened the Body some Days after he died; that they found the *Scrotum* not injured; and that it was as sound and clear a Carcass as ever they saw. The Jury acquitted the Prisoner.

THOMAS HULL was indicted for violently assaulting and robbing *William Gillet* of one Silver Watch, and 40s. in Silver, about a Quarter after 8, on Sunday Night the 26th of September, just against *Walworth Common*.

Mr. *Gillet* deposed, that the Prisoner came to him at the Time and Place abovemention'd, and put a Knife or a Pistol, he could not tell which, into his own Mouth, and put a Pistol to the Breast of him the said Mr. *Gillet*, and told him, Damn him, he must have his Money and Rings, that he told him he had no Money, but he persisting to demand it, and punching the Pistol against his Breast, he delivered to him his silver Watch, which the Prisoner put in his Coat Pocket. Being ask'd, how at that Time in the Evening he cou'd see the Prisoner so plain to be able afterwards to remember his Face, he answer'd, the Moon was then rising, and there were Lights in the Sky that gave more Light than the Moon.

Mr. *Bolton* deposed that the Prisoner brought the same Watch to him to sell it, but they not agreeing about the Price made no Bargain.

Jeremiah Andrews deposed, that he was with Mr. *Bolton* at the same Time the Prisoner offer'd the Watch to Sale, at an Alehouse, that after Mr. *Bolton* was gone, a Boy came and ask'd for him, in order to ask him whether he would give him a Crown more. After that the Prisoner himself came, and said he had rather pawn it than sell it, and wanted to borrow some Money upon it, which a Woman in the House lent him. The Fact being plainly prov'd, the Jury found him Guilty. Death.

JOHN WHALE indicted for stealing 150 Pounds of Beef; 100 lb. of Pork, and some Joints of Mutton, the Goods of *Tailor Pettis*, and acquitted.

JOHN PAXTON, indicted for breaking open the House of *Mary Pollins*, in the Night time, and stealing several Parcels of Linnen, the Goods of Brigadier *Ker*, Mr. *Davies*, Mrs. *Lowther*, &c. of great Value.

Mary Pollins deposed that he was her Servant, but discharg'd from her Service *Thursday Oct. 21*, and that three Days after, a Watchman came to tell her, her House was broke open, and her Servant taken.

John Gatcliffe, a Watchman deposed, that he took the said *John Paxton* in the Burrough near *London Bridge*, about 5 in the Morning, with a Sack almost full of Linnen, that he secur'd the Prisoner, and examined him and that he told a Constable that he had the Linnen from Mrs. *Pollins* at 9 Elms, upon which a Messenger was sent to her, and the Goods found to be hers. the Jury found him guilty. Death.

RICHARD BACHELER, indicted for stealing a Grey Gelding and a Black Mare, the Goods of Mr. *Robert Cheyny*, out of the Grounds of Mr. *Morley*, at *Vaux-Hall*. The Jury found him guilty. Death.

PHILIP

PHILIP MOBBS, indicted for breaking and entering the House of *John Witcheloe*, on the 3d of *January* last, and stealing thence one Copper Kettle, one Bell Mettle Skillet, and other Goods. The Jury found him guilty of Felony.

JOHN CHICK, and **JOHN SMITH**, alias *Smithson*, indicted for breaking and entering the House of *Elizabeth Crawley* the 5th of *November* last and taking thence a Silver Pepper-Box, 4 Silver Spoons, 6 Tea Spoons, an Earthen Tea Pot, and other Goods, the Property of the said *Elizabeth Crawley*.

Martha Wade depos'd, that on the 5th of *November* last the House was broke open and the Goods stole, but she neither saw nor heard the Persons that did it.

Thomas Johnson depos'd, that he and the two Prisoners took the Tiles off Mrs. *Crawley's* Wash-house, and enter'd it, that they took a Pane of Glass out of the Kitchen Window, open'd it, and went in, that they also broke open the Cellar Door and stole the Goods mentioned in the Indictment.

The Jury, not regarding the Evidence of the last Witnesses, and several Persons appearing to their Character, they were acquitted.

MARY TOOTH, indicted for stealing 2 Guineas and 12 d. in Money, the Property of *Thomas Street*, the 28th of *February* last, and it being plainly prov'd, the Jury found her guilty to the Value of 25 s.

JOHN WOODALL, of the Parish of *St. Olave Southwark*, indicted for stealing 12 Parcels of Leather, call'd Bazils, the Property of *Mary Whiton*, Oct. 9, 1731. The Jury found him guilty to the Value of 12 s.

JAMES BAKER, indicted for stealing two Hogs, Value 47 s. the Property of *Robert Hawkins* the 13th of *January* last. The Jury found him Guilty.

THOMAS JOHNSON and **WILLIAM WORWOOD**, indicted for entering the House of *Hannah Carrol*, the 16th of *November* last, and stealing thence 2 Shagreen Cases, Value 2 s. 12 Silver Tea Spoons, Value 20 s. a Silver Mustard Pot, Value 15 s. a Silver Pepper Box, Value 15 s. and several other Goods. The Jury found *Johnson* guilty of the Felony, and acquitted *Worwood*.

SARAH HORTON and **MARTHA SEDDON**, indicted for stealing out of the House of *Claude Mejan*, a Hat, a Tortoise Shell Snuff Box, and an Handkerchief, but the Evidence not being positive, the Jury acquitted them.

ROBERT CUNDILL, indicted for a Rape upon the Body of *Isabella Canady*, aged 12 Years.

Isabella Canady depos'd, That her Mistress sent her to a House in *St. George's Fields*, for a Box-Iron and Heaters, and that not knowing the Way, the Prisoner was sent with her; that in returning, he persuaded her, that to go by the Cow-house was the nearest Way; that when he got her there, he threw her down upon the Ground, that he put his Fingers into her, and afterwards his C---; that she would have cried out, but he put his Hand before her Mouth; being ask'd how long he was in her, she answer'd, a Quarter of an Hour. She also depos'd, that when she came Home, she told her Mistress of him, but her Mistress would not believe her, but threaten'd to beat her within an Inch of her Life if she did not say it was her Father-in-Law.

Mr. *Wood*, a Surgeon, depos'd, That Mrs. *Spencer*, the Girl's Mistress, sent for him, and told him the Girl was hurt in her Private Parts, that he laid her on the Bed and search'd her, and found the Parts very much excoriated but not penetrated; that within the Lips the Skin was come to a perfect Sore; that he ask'd her who had meddled with her, and she answer'd her Father-in-Law: That she said, he put his Finger into her Body, and then his C---; that he examin'd her several Times, and she persisted in it, and said, she would have spoke before, but her Father-in-Law threaten'd to kill her if she did. Several other Witnesses depos'd, that she declar'd that her Father-in-Law did it. The Jury acquitted the Prisoner.

THOMAS ISAAC, and **NATHAN SEDDON**, indicted for stealing 21 Pieces of Leather, the Property of *Richard Seller*. It being plainly prov'd, that *Isaac* and *Nathan* stole the Goods, the Jury found them Guilty, but acquitted *Thomas*.

ANNE DICKENSON, indicted for stealing a Linnen Gown and a Dowlas Smock. Acquitted.

JOHN BUTLER, alias *Bucknell*, indicted for stealing several Perukes, to the Value of 6 l. 3 Shirts, Value 12 s. 2 Ounces of Hair, 2 Razors, and other Goods, the Property of *Thomas Newman*. Acquitted.

JOHN HORTON, indicted for breaking and entering the House of *Anne Dapper*, and stealing thence 16 Pewter Plates, 6 Brass Candlesticks, a Pestle and Mortar, a Pair of Snuffers, 7 Pair of Worsted Stockings, a Dowlas Shirt, and a Silk Handkerchief. Acquitted.

SOLOMON HARVET and **JAMES HIGGS**, alias *Hicks*, indicted for entering the House of *Rebecca Dart*, and stealing thence 4 Copper Sauce-Pans, a Copper Kettle, 3 Brass Pot-Lids, and 30 lb. weight of Pewter. The Jury found them both guilty of Felony.

JOSEPH ADDISON, indicted, for that he, with *William Whitworth*, and *Joseph Whitlock* (since escaped out of Jail) enter'd the House of *Alexander Horwood*, and stole thence 12 Pewter Plates, 6 Pewter Dishes, a Copper Coffee Pot, and other Goods. The Jury acquitted him of the Burglary, but found him guilty of the Felony.

JOSEPH ADDISON, was a second Time indicted, for that he with *William Whitworth*, and *Joseph Whitlock*, did enter the dwelling House of *George Moore*, with an intent to commit Felony.

Elizabeth Haswell depos'd, that about a Fortnight before Christmas, between 9 and 10 at Night, somebody rung at the Door, that a Man (which was *Whitworth*) rush'd in and clapp'd a Pistol to her Breast, that she scream'd out, and he told her if she made any Noise she was a dead Woman; that the other two, (*Addison*, and *Whitlock*.) all three in Vizard-Masks) rush'd into the Kitchen, and that *Addison* clapp'd a Dagger to her Mistress's Breast, telling her if she stir'd she was a dead Woman, that Mr. *Moore* being above Stairs, heard her when she scream'd out, and call'd out to know what was the Matter, and hearing no Answer, call'd again, but they still remaining silent, Mr. *Moore* was coming down, when *Whitlock* ran up, and meeting him upon the Stairs, dash'd the Candle and Candlestick out of his Hand, but Mr. *Moore* made Resistance, and wrested the Pistol out of *Whitlock's* Hand, upon which *Whitworth* left this Deponent, and ran to his Assistance; that thereupon she ran and rais'd the Neighbourhood, which oblig'd them to move off, but *Addison* dropp'd his Mask and Handkerchief, which were produc'd in Court.

Wilkinson depos'd, that the 14th of *December* about 9 o'Clock the Prisoner, with *Whitworth* and *Whitlock*, went in disguised Habits from his House, that they said they were going to rob Mr. *Moore*, and damn him that should betray them, they would shoot him through the Head; that they returned in a Quarter of an hour and said they had mis'd their Opportunity. The Jury found the Prisoner guilty. Death.

MARY ROGERS, alias *Archard*, indicted, for that she with her Brother, not yet taken, did enter the House of *William Bliffard*, and steal from thence 2 Silk Waistcoats, one Cloth Coat, and several other Goods, the Property of *Tuffnel Hughs* and *William Bliffard*. Acquitted.

HESTER PEW, indicted for the Murder of her Bastard Child. Acquitted.

JOHN COOPER, indicted for feloniously stealing out of a House in *Rotherbith*, three Curtains, five Iron Bars, some Iron Hoops, and three Chairs, the Property of *John Baker*. The Jury found him guilty of Felony.

ELIZABETH DAVIS, indicted for stealing two Pounds of Cotton, two Ounces of Chocolate, two Ounces of Anniseeds, and other Goods, out of the Waggon of *Benjamin Picket*. The Jury found her guilty to the Value of 5 s.

HANNAH SALTER, indicted for stealing 10 Guineas, the Property of *John Hughs*. The Jury found her guilty.

SARAH MANSIR, indicted for stealing two Pewter Dishes, two Brass Candlesticks, a Pair of Shoes, and other Goods, the Property of *Thomas Revel*. The Jury acquitted her.

ELIZABETH HAWKINS, indicted for stealing a Dimity Gown, two Brass Saucepans, a Callimancoe Petticoat, and Muslin Handkerchiefs, the Goods of *Elizabeth Beal* and *Esther Lowe*. The Jury found her guilty to the Value of 10 s.

DOROTHY LONGLEY, Widow of *John Longley*, of the Parish of *St. George Southwark*, indicted for Poisoning her said Husband, by giving him Liquid Laudanum, mix'd with other Liquors, on the 29th of *August* last, of which he languish'd till the 30th of *August*, in the same Year, when he died. She was a second Time indicted on the Coroner's Inquisition for the said Murder.

Isaac Sydal. I was Apothecary to Mr. Longley's Family. I saw him the 27th of August last, and congratulated him on his new Marriage. But as I was admiring some Hops that lay in the Window, he said they were fine ones, and he would give me a Pound of them, if I would cure him of some Pains he had about him. I ask'd if any thing really ail'd him? he said, his Stomach was out of Order, and had lately observ'd, that when he strain'd hard in a Morning, there came some Phlegm streak'd with Blood. I told him I would send him something; he said he did not chuse to take any Medicines, for he was not bad enough for that. I advis'd him to take a little Rhubarb; he said, he did not care if he did take it. I advis'd him to take it in some Wine that Night, for it would not move him till Morning; he chose rather to take it on Saturday Morning, but he did not take it till Sunday Morning. I saw him on Saturday, and he appeared very well. On Sunday I had been out, and coming Home at Twelve at Noon, I was told I had been sent for to Mr. Longley's in a great Hurry, for the Messenger said Mr. Longley was dead. I was very much surprized, and went hastily thither. When I came in, one of the Maids, whom I had never seen before, oppos'd my going up Stairs; but I told her I was sent for, and went up. When I came in the Curtains were all open, and he sat upright in the Bed. There were abundance of People in the Chamber, and all in great Confusion. I felt his Hand, and could scarcely distinguish any Pulse he had. I spoke to him, but he could not answer me; his Eyes were open, and look'd very ghastly; at last he spoke, and said, *Lord, Where have I been! What have you given me!* and then fell asleep; I shook him to make him wake, for he was quite stupid. I was very much surprized, and there being a Surgeon in the Room, Mr. Berkley, who was a little weary, and had sat down, I retired and sat down too; I ask'd him what was his Opinion; he said it was very much like a Lethargy; I said, I fear'd he had got some Laudanum; he said, *Hush, Have you Reasons to suspect it?* I said, Not from any Circumstances, out from the Symptoms that appear'd. He caution'd me to Silence, and I obey'd.

Court. How long was you there?
Sidal. About a Quarter of an Hour.
Court. Who was in the Room besides you and Mr. Berkley?
Sidal. Several People. I afterwards went to the Bed-side, and feeling his Hand, found his Pulse more sensible; he had cold Sweats, and his Shirt was wet all over; I spoke to him again, and he desir'd some Liquor, for he had a Burning in his Intestines, and was very thirsty. In this Time the Prisoner came up Stairs, a Messenger having been sent down to tell her her Husband was not dead, but recover'd; but I did not observe she had any particular Conversation with her Husband. I desir'd her to give him a clean Shirt, that he might get up; she order'd it immediately: In this Time I ask'd Mrs. Longley if she had given him any Liquors; she said she had made him Whey to carry off his Physick, some she gave him then, and he drank several Pints, but between every Draught he fell asleep. In this Hurry I was sent for; a Gentleman wanted to speak with me at Home. I left Directions with them, that they should get him out of Bed, put him on a dry Shirt, and set him in a Chair, and that, if he call'd for Liquors, they should give him as much as he would drink. I then went Home, dispatch'd my Business, and return'd presently. When I came they had rais'd him up; I found him exceeding weak, and all his Parts so relax'd, that he had hardly the Use of his Limbs, and he continued very drowsy. Some Sage Tea was made; I gave it him; he had five or six Pints of Liquor in all, two of which were Ale, and retain'd them from the first to the last, which was about Half an Hour; he then said he was sick, which I was very well pleas'd to hear; I desir'd him to vomit if he could, upon which he put his Finger in his Mouth, and vomited about the Room; we spoke for something to be brought for him to vomit in; the Prisoner said, let him vomit where he will; which I thought a little odd, for he had vomited something upon my Cloaths; I observ'd he was going to vomit again; *Madam,* (said I to Mrs. Longley) *Pray get him something to vomit in, or he'll drown us all, Let him* (answer'd she) *vomit any where.* I seeing a Porringer, ran and fetch'd it, and held it to his Mouth; he vomited it full, and as I carried it to the Table I smelt to it; but the Prisoner took it out of my Hand, open'd the Window, and threw it out directly.

Court. You smelt it?

Sidal. I did but she took it out of my Hand so eagerly that I could form no Judgment by it. She said, *What do you smell for? It is nothing but the Tincture of Rhubarb you sent him.* I had heard she had thrown some Aspersions upon me, when she saw her Husband first in that Disorder, as, *What has this Apothecary sent him!* and the like. I told her of them, *Lord, Sir,* (says she) *I hope you won't take it ill, I have tasted it myself, and it is very good Tincture of Rhubarb.* As soon as this was over I went to the Patient, and ask'd him how he did; he said he was easier and better. I think I advis'd him to have a little warm Wine to settle his Stomach, which I believe he had; after this he seem'd to recover more and more, and I sat near an Hour talking with him and the Prisoner. The Patient ask'd me what I had given him, that it had had such Effects; I said it could not be what I had given him, for I could have given it to a Child. *Ay* (said the Prisoner) *it was very good, only it tasted a little bitter.* *Ay* (answer'd the Patient) *bitter indeed;* and shook his Head. He still remain'd drowsy, but not so much as before.

Council. Did he tell you at that Time who gave it him?

Sidal. I don't remember he did. We had a pretty deal of Conversation. I ask'd him how long he had been married. He said he had brought his Wife Home last Wednesday. I said, I heard he had been married five or six Weeks. He answer'd, How could that be, when he had lain with his Wife but five Nights, and smil'd. I turn'd to the Prisoner at the Bar, and ask'd her how long she had been married. She said five or six Weeks. And laid with you but five Nights! (said I) pray let me understand how this is between ye. She said it was very true as her Husband said, they only lay together the first Night they were married, and the four Nights since she came Home. After this he began to be very weary, and begg'd to be got to Bed again. I let him go to Bed; but gave his Wife a Caution, that if he should fall into a Dozing, she should rouse him him up. I then left him, and never saw him more, tho' I attempted it twice. I said I would see him by and by, and he went to Bed. I went out of the Chamber and was follow'd by the Prisoner, who took me into another Room, and ask'd me what I thought of her Husband: I told her I was at a Loss to distinguish by his Complaints. I ask'd her how he was last Night when he went to Bed. She said, she thought as well as ever she knew him, that she gave him the Medicine about Six or Seven in the Morning, and that she got up when she gave it him, and provided some Sack-Whey to work it off. I said that was needless. I gave her still more Caution to raise him up if he should seem to sleep with any Trouble, and if he should prove worse to send for a Physician. She said, as he was then, there was no Need. She desir'd me to send something for him to take as a Cordial, and I went away. I came again between Four and Five, and brought a little Cordial Draught and a Julep, the Cordial Draught to be taken immediately. I went up Stairs, but when I came to the Chamber Door Mrs. Longley met me, told me her Husband was asleep, and begg'd me to go into next Room. We retir'd into another Room, even with the Chamber; I then ask'd her how Mr. Longley did? she said, in a fine Sleep, and she hop'd a great deal better. She ask'd me, if I had got any thing to be given him? I said, a Draught and a Julep. She said, she would take care to give them him. I gave them to her. I proffer'd to wait till he was awake; she said, there was no Need of it. She ask'd me, whether I thought there was any Danger? I said, I did not know what the Event might be, but if she thought there were any Danger, I would have her send for a Physician, and ask'd her, if she knew ever a good one in the Neighbourhood? She answer'd, No; but she knew one Dr. Philipson in Bow-Lane; I told her, I never heard of him, but there might be such a Gentleman, and a very able Physician; and desir'd her, if she observ'd any Alteration in her Husband, she would let me know, and I would go with her to the said Doctor. She said, it was very well. I then left her, and went into the City: When I came home about Seven or Eight I understood a Messenger came to tell me that Mrs. Longley had just sent for a Physician, for Mr. Longley was relaps'd. Dr. Philipson had desir'd I might be sent for, but I found I had not been sent for by her. My Man went and acquainted the Doctor what I had given the Deceas'd. He said I had done very well, and prescribed something very like what I had given him. I went to Mr. Longley's between Nine and Ten, having prepar'd what the Doctor had prescribed.

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When I brought it to Mr. Longley's, I knock'd at the Door, the Doctor was gone, and a Relation of Mr. Longley's, one Mr. Wagg, came down to the Door, and immediately upon his Heels the Prisoner. She ask'd if I had got any thing for Mr. Longley? I said, Yes, and would have gone up to see him. She said, No, he was a dead Man; what does it signify?

Coun. Did you press to get up?

Sid. No, I did not press much, but went down the Yard and talk'd with a Gentleman there. I heard no more of the Matter that Night. Next Morning as soon as I rose, I heard Mr. Longley was dead; it seems he died that Morning at Three o'Clock. Having some Business at the White-Hart, about 10 or 11, that Morning, I saw a Servant at Mr. Longley's Door, and the Shop was shut up. I ask'd the Servant if Mrs. Longley was above? he said, Yes. I went up Stairs to condole with her. I found her standing upon a Chair or Stool, removing some Things. She got down, and laid herself upon a Couch that stood by. I said I was sorry for her Loss. She answer'd with a Smile, (that I thought a little unusual upon such an Occasion) That her Loss was not great, for if he had not died then he must have died in a Jail very soon; and added, she had been a great Sufferer by him, that he had spent her Money, and she was now destitute of all; that she had liv'd in a great House, and kept a great many Servants, but now did not know where to go. I told her I was sorry for it. This was the chief Conversation we had. That Afternoon about Five or Six o'Clock a Servant came to desire me to come to Mr. Longley's, for he was alive again. Hearing so odd a Message, I went away hastily. When I came there I found him dead; he was laid out, and there were several Weights, in a Pewter Dish, upon his Belly.

Coun. Was there a large Quantity of them?

Sid. I believe half a hundred Weight.

Coun. Did you see a Quarter of a Hundred?

Sid. I saw a Quarter of a Hundred, but they were taken away immediately. I desired of the Maid to know why she sent for me? She bid me feel his Hands, to try if I could not feel a Pulse. I did so, but found nothing but a Dew, which is usual in gross Bodies; upon which I told her he was as dead as ever he would be. She said (turning about hastily) Pray Sir, resolve me one Question. Do you think my Master had fair play for his Life? I answered, It was an odd Question, and ask'd her whether she had any Reasons to suspect the contrary? She said she had a great many. I bid her keep them to herself then, for it was a very tender Thing, unless she had strong Circumstances to back it. She cry'd very much, and said something about her Mistress, and that she was sure her Master had not had fair Play. I ask'd if her Mistress was at home? She said, No. I ask'd when she expected her? She said, at Night. I desired her, when she came in to let me know, and I would willingly come down, and talk with her Mistress of it in some distant Way. She said she would come to me, but never did. I had no more Discourse with Mrs. Longley till she was taken up. She then sent for me, and I went to her. There were none in the Room but a Constable, and herself. Lord Sir, (said she) I am sent here for poisoning my Husband; you know what I gave him was only Tincture of Rhubarb. I said, I did not know what else might have been given him. What else! (said she) what do you mean? I answer'd, that if what was said was true, she had acted a very wicked Part. She ask'd what was said? I answer'd, it was said, she had sent a Servant for Half an Ounce of Liquid Laudanum. She laid her Hand upon her Breast, and said, As I hope to be sav'd, I did no such Thing; or, she had not sent for any. I ask'd her if she knew what Liquid Laudanum was? She said, Something to take in Drops for Fits. I said she meant Lavender. She said, No, she knew well enough what it was.

Coun. Did she say she had taken any?

Sid. No.

Coun. Do you know any thing of the Contents of the Stomach of Mr. Longley being given to a Dog?

Sid. On Thursday, the second Day of the Coroner's Inquisition, the Body was order'd to be open'd. It was done. I was in the Room, but it stank so I could not stand it, but went into another Room. After this they brought the Stomach of the Man to the Fountain Tavern. I was in the Room. They open'd the Stomach, and enquir'd into the Contents. Mr. Middleton, said he had lost his Smell, but mention'd giving the Contents to a Dog. A Dog was got, and this Liquor was given to the Dog. The Dog after five or six Minutes fell asleep.

I could form no Judgment by the Smell of the Contents; they were so fetid, there was no forming any Judgment by them. The Dog slept a good while, wak'd and walk'd about, fell asleep again, then wak'd and stagger'd; afterwards he had a Convulsion Fit, and seem'd to sleep with great Pain. Thus he went on for seven or eight Hours, and then died, having first lost the Use of his hinder Limbs.

Coun. What Quantity did you give the Dog?

Sid. The whole Quantity, which was about a Wine Glass full. I have since observ'd the Taste of Rhubarb, which has no bitter in it, but the Laudanum is bitter. The Tinctures are pretty much alike as to the Colour. I have omitted something, which is, That in the Hurry, when I was first sent for to Mr. Longley's, I enquir'd for the Pottle I had sent, for I had writ the Direction myself. The Maid said her Mistress had flung it out of Window. The Second Pottle was likewise dispos'd of. There were several empty Vials in the Room, but neither of the Right were among them.

Coun. Where were no Ingredients in the first Vial you sent but Rhubarb.

Sid. Nothing but Tincture of Rhubarb.

Coun. Was there a Mixture in the other?

Sid. There were Hartshorn and Saffron; four or five Things.

Coun. Could none of them have the Effects that were produced?

Sid. No, none of them.

Coun. After you had us'd the Porringer, did the Prisoner order it to be wash'd?

Sid. Yes; she order'd her Maid to go down, and wash it immediately.

Prisoner. Was it by my Order the Weights were laid on Mr. Longley's Body, or by the Undertaker's?

Sid. I don't know any thing of that.

Coun. Did you never hear any thing of it?

Sid. I believe somebody said, it was by his Order.

Pris. Is it not common to put such Weight upon dead Bodies?

Sid. It is seldom that I see dead Bodies.

Coun. Have you known any such Instance?

Sid. I have heard of Salt. Perhaps, Weights may do as well.

Pris. What Suspicions could you have of me on the Sunday?

Sid. I had no Suspicions of you, but only, that there was some Laudanum in his Body by the Symptoms that appear'd, and even that I got a little over when he seem'd to be something recover'd.

Pris. Do you not know that he was a gross Man, and had many Humours, us'd to spit Blood, and had great Difficulty in Breathing?

Sid. As to his being a gross Man, it is undeniable; I had been concern'd with him about three Years, but I don't remember that he complain'd of any difficulty in his Breathing; he did complain to me that his Stomach was sick, and I apprehended there was a Weakness of his Stomach; I believe he did not live very regular; he said he spit Blood; but it was only streaky. Last May he came out of the Country with a broken Arm; he had laid in the Country about a Fortnight or three Weeks, and an unskilful Surgeon, who had perform'd the Operation, told him his Arm was well set, and he might do what he would. He sent for me to get some Oil a Surgeon had ordered him to bathe it with. I advis'd him to take Physick, and he said he would; so I sent it him; I believe his Shoulder was cut, but I then heard no Complaints of his spitting Blood, or any such Thing.

Pris. How long had you been his Apothecary?

Sid. I have been two or three Years Apothecary to his Family, tho' I never gave any thing to him before last May.

Pris. Did you not know him to have Fits, and fall down in Fits?

Sid. I never saw him in a Fit, nor heard of any such thing from himself, or his former Wife. Since this Affair I have heard it from several, but never before.

Pris. At the Time you see him, the Morning his Stock was cut, did he not vomit a Pint of Blood?

Sid. I don't remember that he vomited then.

Coun. Was you by the Bed-side?

Sid. I was.

Coun. to Prisoner. Could he vomit Blood, and Mr. Sidal not see it?

Pris. Mr. Sidal call'd for a Mop to wipe it up.

Sid. I can't recollect any thing of it; there was no Blood when he vomitted about the Room.

Pris.

Pris. When he was rais'd up in his Chair, he peuck'd and all'd for the Chamber-Pot; I said I did not know where it was, but I fetch'd a Porringer, and held it.

Pris. to Sid. Did not you take it out of my Hand, smell it, and bid me fling it out of Window?

Sid. It was to the best of my Remembrance as I said at first, and not in this Manner.

Coun. Did you desire her to fling it out of Window?

Sid. I never desired any such thing.

Coun. Were not the Symptoms that appear'd in Mr. Longley, proper and common to those that have a Lethargy?

Sid. The Symptoms are very correspondent, but I never heard of a Person dying so sudden of a Lethargy.

Coun. Did he never complain of a Lethargy?

Sid. Never.

Coun. You say, that he complain'd of a Burning in his Stomach; are not Saffron and Rhubarb hot?

Sid. They are; but the Quantity I gave him was too small to cause any such Burning.

Coun. You said this Person did not live regular; do you mean as to Drinking?

Sid. I believe he did drink freely.

Coun. Do not his Symptons happen to those that drink too freely?

Sid. Not his extraordinary ones.

Coun. Will that Quantity of Saffron, Rhubarb, and Cordial, you gave him, if given to a Dog, have such an Effect?

Sid. I believe not. As to the Rhubarb, it could not be apprehended that any was left in the Body, after he had vomited so much; and if there were, it would rather have had a contrary Effect.

Coun. You said you had heard that Mrs. Longley had sent her Servant for half an Ounce of Liquid Laudanum; do you remember, whom you heard it from?

Sid. I believe from Mr. Wagg.

Coun. You ask'd Mrs. Longley if she knew what it was? Was the Word Laudanum or Opium, that you us'd.

Sid. Liquid Laudanum.

Edmund Wagg. I liv'd with Mr. Longley about four Years. About 12 o'Clock on Sunday I came from Church; when I came home I heard an Uprear; they said my Cousin Longley was dead; I went up Stairs and found they had rais'd him up in his Bed; and his Eyes were almost strated out of his Head. I bid them cut his Stock, which they did; he vomited nothing that I saw when they cut his Stock, nor 'till he had the Liquor given him.

Coun. Did not Blood appear upon the Sheets?

Wagg. None at all.

Coun. What pass'd when he got up?

Wagg. He sat in his Chair, and there had two or three Pints of Ale given him. When he vomited, Mr. Sidal held the Porringer; and I held his Head. The Prisoner took the Porringer out of Mr. Sidal's Hand. Mr. Sidal call'd for a Mop, and a Mop and a Pail of Water were brought up. I was with the Deceas'd all the Time after almost, and the Prisoner was very unwilling he should be disturb'd.

Coun. Did you hear any Expression from Mr. Longley that he suspected any Body?

Wagg. No; I did not. — He was rais'd up by Dr. Philipson, and came to himself. The Doctor order'd him some Stuff; he took it, seem'd better, and desir'd that we might all go to Bed, only that two of the Maids might sit up with him.

Coun. What Stuff was that he took.

Wagg. A sort of a Julep; it was brought from Mr. Sidal's. — I was in the Room when he died, and saw the Prisoner tear the Shirt off his Back.

Coun. Was that immediately upon his expiring?

Wagg. The Minute he died,

Coun. Who else was in the Room?

Wagg. Mary Smith, and another.

Coun. Was Mrs. Longley under any Concern?

Wagg. She had desir'd me before to tell her Mr. Longley's Circumstances, but I would not 'till after he was dead. She seem'd not at all concerned for his Death. She came home on the Wednesday; on Thursday Morning she went out about 8 or nine o'Clock, and tarried 'till Friday Morning, one o'Clock; he sat up for her. I lay in the Room joining to theirs; I heard some Words pass between them, and she made Excuses, that she was taken ill, and had staid at a Fishmonger's. On Friday she went out at two in the Afternoon, and tarried 'till

9 or 10 at Night. On Saturday she din'd at home with Mr. Longley, and he ask'd her to go out with him in the Chaise; she said, her Stays were not on, she was not dress'd, and she did not care to go out that Afternoon, tho' we heard afterwards, that she dress'd herself and went out as soon as we were gone.

Court. What Time did ye come home?

Wagg. We went out about two or three, and came home about eight.

Court. Was she at home when you came home.

Wagg. She was.

Coun. Did you ever see Mr. Longley in a Fit?

Wagg. I never saw him in any Fit; I have heard him cough much.

Court. When you came home, did he go out again?

Wagg. No.

Court. Did he sit Drinking?

Wagg. No.

Court. What Time did he go to Bed?

Wagg. About 10 o'Clock. — On Sunday in the Afternoon, about 5 o'Clock Mr. Sidal was coming up Stairs, Mrs. Longley stopp'd him at the Stair-head, and he came no farther.

Pris. Was Mr. Longley at any Time left alone with me on Sunday?

Wagg. There were two Servants of yours, Mary Dighton, and Mary Williams, were in the House, but whether they were with you, I am not positive.

Pris. When you went out of the Room, whom did you leave in it?

Wagg. Several Servants, Andrew Smith, Christopher Eastman, and Mary Smith. I know Nothing of Mr. Longley's being left alone with you.

Court. Did you hear him ask Mrs. Longley to come to Bed?

Wagg. No, he said all the Servants might go to Bed; he would have Mrs. Longley go to Bed in the other Bed.

Pris. Did not I ask you why your Cousin would not let you sit up with him? and did not you answer, because she was a little Jealous of you?

Wagg. I did not.

Coun. When she took the Porringer away from Mr. Sidal, did she say any more than this; Lord, don't it smell?

Wagg. She said it smelt of nothing but Rhubarb.

Court. Did she call any Body to help her to pull off her Husband's Shirt?

Wagg. I think she did; but Nobody came.

Court. How came you to apprehend he was dead.

Wagg. The Noise he made of Rattling in his Throat ceased.

Pris. Did you ever hear Dr. Philipson say, That he wish'd Mr. Longley had fair Play for his Life?

Wagg. Dr. Philipson ask'd what had been given him? and you said Rhubarb, and he reply'd, he wish'd there was not something more in the Case.

Andrew Smith, Porter to Mr. Longley, depos'd, That on the Saturday, after Mr. Longley and Mr. Wagg were gone out in the Chaise, that Mrs. Longley went out, and staid out about an Hour and an half. That on Sunday Morning she call'd for his Wife, Mary Smith, and that he coming down into the Kitchen, she said the Room smelt strong of Physick, and threw a Vial out of Window; that she brought a Cup which she had wash'd, for him to smell to; he said there was a Smell, and she said it was her Hands. That he saw his Master, and he look'd very blackish, and that when he was rais'd up in the Bed he said, *I hope ye have all got your Ends, for you see me a dead Man*; that Mrs. Longley and several other Persons were in the Room, but he could not perceive that he directed his Discourse to any of them in particular; that when Dr. Philipson came, he said something, and Mrs. Longley took him aside, and desir'd him to say nothing more 'till she had spoke to him, and that they went together into another Room; that Dr. Philipson help'd Mr. Longley on the Bed, and the latter said, *Lord have Mercy upon me; I am a dead Man*; that as soon as he was dead, he the said Deponent and Mrs. Longley pull'd off his Shirt, that she pinn'd up his Chin, tied his Toes and while Christopher Eastman and he held him up, she pull'd the Bed from under him.

Christopher Eastman depos'd, That he had been Servant to Mr. Longley a Year and an Half before he died; that he got the Chaise for him when he went out on Saturday, and that he return'd again very well; the next Day he and John Sutton, help'd him up in the Bed; that he pointed to his Stock, which being cut he recover'd; that the first Words he said, were, *I hope you have all got your Ends, for I am going*;

ing; that he look'd very dull and heavy; that he fetch'd Dr. Philipson, and came up a little after him; Dr. Philipson went and felt of Mr. Longley's Hand; and the Prisoner said, *would you disturb a dead Man; you see his Eyes-strings are broke*; that as soon as he was dead, the Prisoner went to the Drawers, and got a Fillet to tie up his Chin, then went and tore off his Shirt, and he thought the help'd to take the Bed away, and then went down Stairs directly, ordering him to wash the Body, which he did: Being ask'd whether on Sunday Morning about 10 or 11 Mrs. Longley did not call to him by his Name, and say, *Help, for God's sake, he is in a Fit*; he answer'd No. Being examined whether he ever knew his Master to be in a Fit, he said, That on Shrove Monday, was a twelve Month, as he and his Master was riding down a Hill in the Country, and talking together, his Master on a Sudden gave a Shock, and fell down, but that he took him up, and he recover'd in a Minute; that he believ'd his Fall was not occasion'd by his Horse, and that he had heard of another Fit that his Master had been in.

Mary Smith depos'd, That on Sunday Mrs. Longley call'd her up, and said she was not well; she believ'd the Smell of the Physick had made her Sick, and bid this Deponent make her some Watergruel; between eight and nine she desired her to go up and see if Mr. Longley was asleep; that the said Deponent heard him snore, and came down and told Mrs. Longley, who went up herself about 11, and coming down ask'd the Deponent whether she ever knew Mr. Longley to sleep so long before, to which she answer'd No; that the Prisoner bid her go up again, and when she came up she thought she heard him groan, and went down and told Mrs. Longley, who said she was afraid to go up, and desired the Deponent's Husband to go up; that when Mrs. Longley went up, she heard her say, Mr. Longley, *speak to me*, and presently she cried out, *He is dead, what have you done to him*; but the Deponent thought he had been dead, and meeting Christopher Eastman, said, *Kit, your Master is dead*; that they went up and saw him move, and Christopher said, he is not dead, but I believe in a Fit; that they rais'd him up, and he pointed to his Collar, which they loosed, and, upon his calling for Liquor, gave him some Ale, one Point, and then another, but he still complain'd of Thirst; that they went down and made him some Sage-Tea, and Sack-Whey; that when Dr. Philipson came, he was laid on the Bed in his Night-Gown; the Doctor took him by the Hand, said he was a Dying, and ask'd Mrs. Longley how he was taken; she said with a Fit, he replied, there was something else in the Case, but she desired him to come into another Room, and not say any thing till she had spoke to him; that they went into another Room, and when they came in again, they rais'd Mr. Longley upright, and he spoke several Words very sensible; that about Eleven o'Clock, Mr. Longley ask'd who it was that came; the Deponent said it was she, and that he desired her to set up with him; that as Mrs. Longley was going down Stairs, he ask'd who that was, and being told, ask'd where she was going? The Deponent told him, and he said he would get up and go down Stairs too; soon after this he went to sleep, and never wak'd more, till Three, and then he died; while he slept he snor'd very loud; that when he was dead, Mrs. Longley pull'd off his Shirt, and upon her saying, *Lord, Madam, will you strip him*, she replied, *Ay, is he not dead?* that she, this Deponent, with Mrs. Longley, and Mary Williams, took the Bed from under him; that Mrs. Longley afterwards took some Writings out of a Drawer, and put them into her Apprentice's Lap; that Mrs. Longley order'd her Husband to carry some Goods to the Water Side, which he did, and that she believ'd they had been bundled up some Time before, they were so readily brought out.

Charles Turner. On the Saturday I was sent by Mrs. Longley, from the Pine-Apple in Leicester-Fields, to Mr. Maleig's, for half an Ounce of Liquid Laudanum. I staying a little longer than ordinary she sent my Fellow-Servant for me, and I gave him the Drops in a Vial, but I gave her the Change myself, and she gave me a Penny for a Dram. The Day after Mrs. Longley was taken up she sent for me to an Alehouse in Southwark, and Mary Dighton, and Mary Williams, and a Constable were there. She desired I would do what I could to save her Life. if I did take a false Oath for once, or else she should be hang'd or burn'd. I said I could not unsay what I had said; for I had discover'd my fetching the Laudanum.

Coun. How long did you serve Mrs. Longley?

Turner. Almost Five Years.

Coun. Did you not frequently fetch Laudanum Drops for your Mistress?

Turner. Never before.

Coun. Did her other Servants never fetch any?

Turner. I never heard so, or that she took any.

Coun. Nor Opium?

Turner. No.

Coun. When she sent you for the Drops, did she make any Secret of it?

Turner. No.

Coun. How far were Mary Dighton and Mary Williams off when Mrs. Longley ask'd you to save her Life?

Turner. About two or three Yards.

Coun. How far was the Constable?

Turner. Farther than them.

Coun. Did she speak so loud that the Constable might hear?

Turner. No.

Coun. Did she speak so loud that the Servants might hear?

Turner. I can't tell.

Henry Barling depos'd, That he was the Person sent by Mrs. Longley after Charles Turner; that he took the Bottle of him, and deliver'd to Mrs. Longley.

Henry Young, Journeyman to Mr. Maleig, depos'd, That Charles Turner came to his Master's Shop, and ask'd for half an Ounce of Liquid Laudanum, that he gave 6 d. for it, and it was put into a Vial; that Henry Barling came into the Shop, ask'd Turner what made him stay so long; took the Vial from him and went away.

Mary Williams depos'd, that on the Sunday her Mistress sent her for half an Ounce of Liquid Laudanum; that she went to an Apothecary's near the Bridge, who, after he had pour'd it into the Vial, said it was too thick, pour'd it out again, and rins'd the Vial; that she went to another who would have a Shilling for it; that she went back to her Mistress, who sent her across the Way, for it, where she got it for 10 d. went home and deliver'd it to her Mistress.

Thomas Davis depos'd to this Effect. I am Servant to Mr. Anbury in Red-Lion-Street in the Borough; the last Witness came to my Master's Shop for the Laudanum. I ask'd her two or three times who it was for; she said, for herself, to stop a Bleeding at the Nose, and to make her sleep. I told her she must not take too much, but she was got out of Doors before I could well speak to her.

Several Surgeons depos'd concerning the giving the Contents of Mr. Longley's Stomach to a Dog, to much the same Effect as Mr. Sidal had done.

John Evans depos'd, After Mrs. Longley was taken she sent John Davis for me, and I went with him to the Jail, where I found Mrs. Longley. She said she was glad to see me, and I said, I was sorry to see her there. After we had sat down, she said, that Rogue, my Apprentice, Charles Turner, designs to swear my Life away; I have no Man that can hurt me but him; if you will take an Oath to drown his Evidence, that will do. I told her, I would, and she gave me a Shilling to drink with Turner. I went to enquire for him, but he was gone out of Town. After this there was a Note, dictated by Mrs. Longley, and written by Mr. Davis, dated Jan. 3, 1731, which contain'd what I was to swear, which was, That going along Holbourn, I heard Turner say, G - d d - n him, he would be reveng'd of his Mistress, if she would not deliver his Indentures. She afterwards took a Bottle of Stuff and tasted it; I and Davis tasted it also; she said it was bitter, and an Orange lying upon the Table, she gave us some of it to take the Bitterness off of our Tongues; she desired me to swear I fetch'd a Bottle of it for her, from Dr. Palmer's, in her first Husband's Time, which I never did. She said, no Harm would come of it, for Dr. Palmer was dead. Davis and I agreed that we would swear it. She said if she got off, she would be a Friend to me as long as she liv'd.

The Prisoner's Defence.

John Birmingham depos'd, I was sent for by the Gentlewoman at the Bar the Morning her Husband died; when I came there she told me of her Husband's Death, and ask'd me whether she had best to administer. I endeavour'd to learn his Circumstances, and talking to Mr. Wagg, he gave me a very bad Account of them. Mrs. Longley was removing Things, and Mr. Wagg assisting her. A Man came in who kept an Alehouse which Mrs. Longley us'd to frequent; he turn'd down the Sheet and

and look'd at Mr. Longley, and discours'd with Mr. Wagg; he said he expected he would die in a Fit and ask'd Mr. Wagg, if he did not remember his falling into a Fit coming from Croydon; Mr. Wagg said Yes.

Anne Odium depos'd, I know'd Mr. John Longley?

Coun. How long did you know him?

Odi. About 10 Years.

Coun. Did you ever know of his being subject to any Disorder?

Odi. Yes; to a great Cough. Once he fell into a Fit; I did not see it, but I heard it from himself. About two Years ago, he had a great Fit of Coughing, and fell down in St. Paul's Church-Yard; he said he had been drinking more than ordinary, and upon such Occasions he cough'd more than ordinary. I saw him the Week before he died, and then he had no Cough. I did not think him to be a long Liver, because he drank hard, and because he us'd to ride hard when he had done so, and I imagin'd he would fall.

Pris. Do you know any thing of his being addicted to lethargick Fits?

Odi. He us'd to be sleepy.

Coun. Did he us'd to be sleepy when he had not been Drinking?

Odi. I don't know that.

Thomas Heath depos'd, I knew Mr. John Longley about two Years.

Coun. What Condition of Health was he in? Was he subject to any Fits, or Lethargy, that you know of?

Hea. He was generally very sleepy.

Coun. Without any visible Occasion?

Hea. I have seen him sleepy in the Morning, without drinking hard.

Coun. What Sort of Sleepiness was it?

Hea. I did not take so much Observation, but I have found him to be inclinable to be sleepy in a Morning.

Coun. Had he not been drinking the Night before?

Hea. I can't tell that.

Coun. In your Judgment; what Sort of a Drowsiness was it?

Hea. I am not a Judge what a Lethargy is, but I believe sometimes a continual Course of Drinking will bring on a Lethargy, and I am of Opinion his was a Lethargy, because when he has been perfectly sober, upon drinking half a Pint of Wine, he has been sleepy. I remember likewise, he came in one Day, when I had been drinking hard, and was reaching; says he, you do not reach Blood? No, says I; I do, says he.

Coun. How long was this before his Death?

Hea. About three Weeks.

Mary Dighton depos'd, I have liv'd with Mrs. Longley about Six Years.

Coun. Did she use to take Laudanum Drops?

Digh. She has us'd Drops.

Coun. What Drops?

Digh. I don't know.

Coun. Are they like Laudanum Drops.

Dighton. Yes.

Coun. Did you ever see any Laudanum Drops?

Dighton. Never till her Brother brought some to the Bar, and desir'd me to give them to her.

Coun. Did he tell you what Drops they were.

Dighton. He said they were Liquid Laudanum.

Coun. How long ago was this?

Dighton. Two Months before her last Marriage.

Coun. Have you seen her take Drops several Times?

Digh. Yes.

Coun. Were they like what her Brother brought?

Dighton. To the best of my Knowledge they were of the same Colour.

Coun. What was the Brother's Name?

Dighton. William Goddard.

Coun. How many Drops did she use to take at a Time?

Dighton. Thirty, 40, 50 Drops I have given her.

Coun. How long have you known her to take these Drops?

Dighton. Ever since I have liv'd with her.

Coun. Has she lately taken less or more?

Dighton. More.

Coun. What did she take them for?

Dighton. For a Bleeding at her Nose.

Coun. Did you ever see her Nose bleed?

Dighton. Several Times.

Pris. What did Mr. Longley say of his Health on the Saturday?

Dighton. In the Morning, before he went to Putney, he sat down in the Dining-Room, and fell asleep; Mrs. Longley ask'd him what made him sleep; he said he had been drink some Glasses of Wine, and Mugs of Beer.

Edmund Wagg. I never heard any such Expression at all.

Dighton. Mr. Wagg was reading a Book when he spoke.

Wagg. I read in no Book that Morning.

Coun. Did he sleep?

Wagg. No; he scarce ever slept in a Morning.

Robert Friend depos'd, that he had known Mrs. Longley to take Drops, and had heard her call them Laudanum, and that she us'd to bleed at the Nose very violently.

William Goddard depos'd, that he had fetch'd her Laudanum Drops, which she ask'd for by that Name, complaining of a Pain in her Head.

John Toppin. I know Mrs. Longley to have made use of Laudanum. About a Year and a Quarter ago, I was sent for, because she was very much out of Order. I sent her some Things, and she recover'd.

Coun. What was her Complaint?

Top. A Bleeding at the Nose; I visited her two or three Times; she was very well, and I did not see her for some Months afterwards; she then said she had had a Relapse; I ask'd who she sent for; she said she did not employ any Body, but make use of her own Medicine; I ask'd her what that was; said she, I sent for Liquid Laudanum. Said I, do you use it frequently? Yes, said she.

Edward Liliot depos'd, That he had known Mrs. Longley four Years, and she us'd to take Drops of the Colour of Claret.

John Davis depos'd, that he had fetch'd Laudanum Drops for her, and that a Fellow-Servant of his who was troubled with a Bleeding at the Nose, took them at the same Time.

Court to Evans. Look upon that Note; did you write it?

Davis, I writ all but the Name.

Coun. Who dictated to you?

Davis, John Evans.

Coun. Did not Mrs. Longley send for John Evans?

Davis, No; I met him accidentally.

Coun. Who desir'd him to come to Mrs. Longley?

Davis, I did.

Coun. When you desir'd him to go, did you not carry him?

Davis, He went along with me.

Coun. When you came into the Room, was there no Discourse between him and her about what he should swear?

Davis, The first Time he came he told her what Turner said she said, that was very material, and desir'd time to swear it.

Coun. Did not you enquire for Charles Turner?

Dav. No.

Coun. Did not you go with Evans to enquire after him?

Dav. I did not go on Purpose.

Coun. When you did go, was he in Town or not?

Dav. He ask'd for him, and he was gone out of Town.

Coun. How long was it before you went a second Time?

Dav. About a Week.

Coun. Whether at the second Time Mrs. Langley did not dictate that Note?

Dav. No.

Coun. To what End did you write something for Evans to swear, where Evans told you the very Thing?

Davis. He said, John, do you write it down for fear I should forget it, by Accident.

Court to Evans. Did you desire Evans to write that Paper?

Evans. It is as false as God is true. That Man came on the Saturday to my Mother's, and told me, he could help me to a Place.

Court. Did you desire him to write that Note?

Evans. No; upon my Oath Mrs. Longley dictated.

Joseph Wood, Surgeon, was call'd,

Coun. You are a Surgeon?

Wood. Yes.

Coun. How long have you been so?

Wood, About 40 Years, I live by St. George's Church, in Blackman-Street.

Coun. Was you regularly bred?

Wood, Yes.

Coun.

Coun. Give your Judgment of Mr. Longley's Body, whether it was Laudanum that wrought those Effects, or whether they might flow from other Causes?

Wood. About the Beginning of September, I went to Mr. Longley's, when I came there, there were Mr. Middleton, and others. I staid there till they had open'd the Body, it was Black, but that they expected from the Grossness of it; they then took the Stomach out, and put it into an Earthen Pan, to have a Meeting at the Fountain Tavern, and inspect further about it; when we come to open it, and took the Contents out, we could have no Smell of any Laudanum.

[He then related the Experiment upon the Dog, but queried whether any Putrefaction that comes out of the Stomach of a Man may not kill any Animal: And added, We have often heard of a putrified rotten Body that the Surgeons have been killed by the Scent.]

Court. How long had the Body been putrified?

Wood. Four or five Days.

Court. You say you have known him and thought him Lethargic, how long was he so before he died?

Wood. A Month or two before he died.

Court. Do you believe he died of a Lethargy.

Wood. No.

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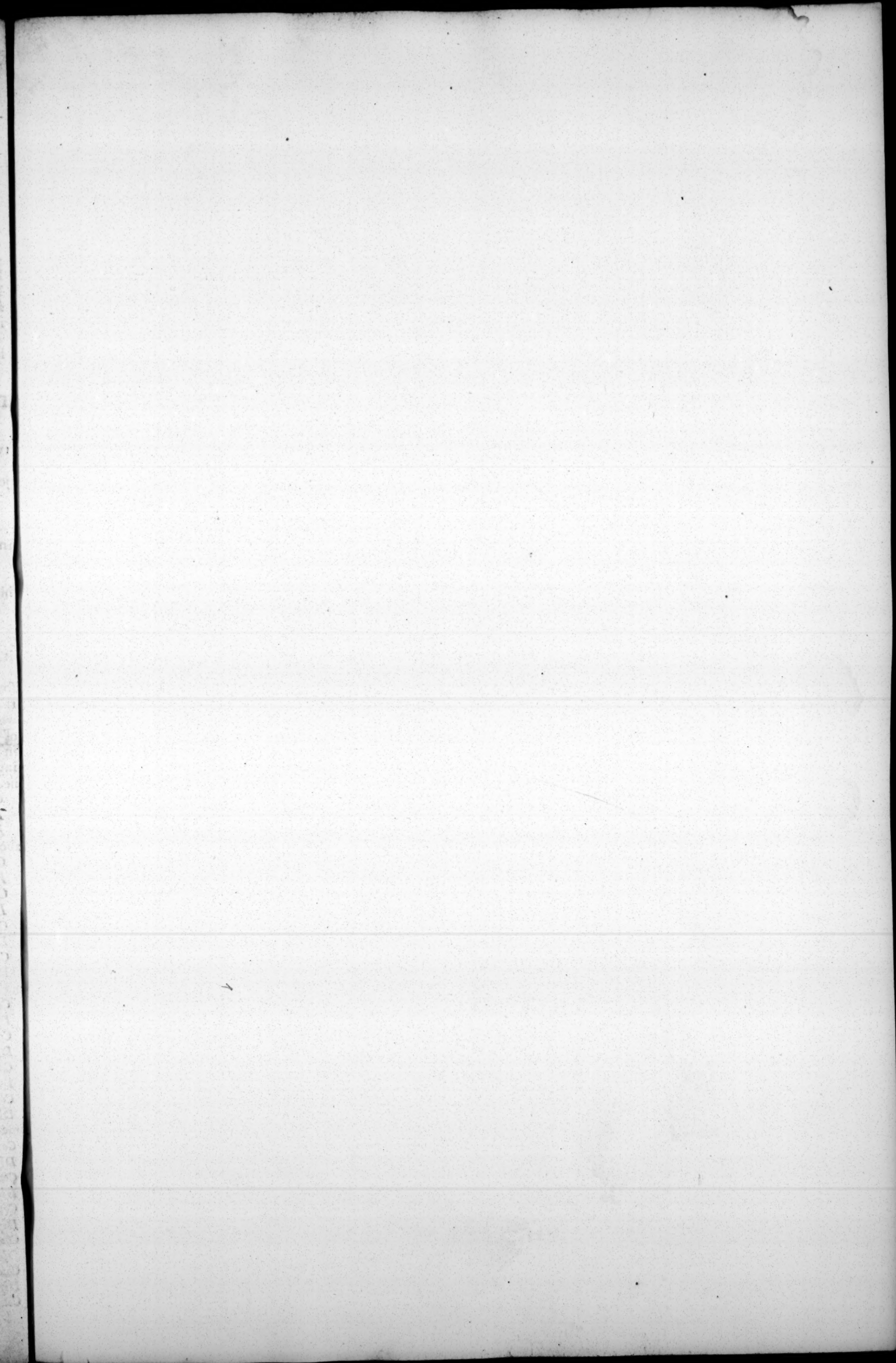
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[He then related the Experiment upon the Dog, but questioned whether any Putrefaction that comes out of the Stomach of a Man may not kill any Animal: And added, We have often heard of a putrified rotten Body that the Surgeons have been killed by the Scent.]

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Wood. Four or five Days.

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